

Minority Men's Network Educational Foundation Sehon Williams Jr. Heritage Scholarship

Background:

The Minority Men's Network Educational Foundation, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, has established a scholarship in honor of Mr. Sehon Williams, Jr. a 1940 graduate of Douglass High School and esteemed member of the Minority Men's Network. The inaugural year of the award was 2022. Mr. Williams passed away toward the end of 2022.

Amount of Award: \$2000

Eligibility:

- Current Boone County resident identifying as African American
- Douglass High School senior with a cumulative GPA of 2.3 or higher
- Applicant filed a 100% complete application using the 2026 Scholarship Application form
- Accepted for admission as a full-time student at an ACCREDITED POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION OR PROGRAM.

The successful applicant should demonstrate both scholarship and leadership and be involved in school/community activities. Applicants will also be evaluated based on financial need.

How to Apply:

Please complete the scholarship application form for 2026. Please include the name and phone number of at least two references (one academic such as a teacher or counselor) who can verify the information contained on your application and write a letter of recommendation to us for you. Letters of recommendation and other supporting documentation become part of your application. Application forms are available through your high school guidance office. DOWNLOAD the application and complete in WORD, or Download, print, and complete the PDF version.

Please submit ALL requested materials electronically by sending to: S. David Mitchell (sdavidesq@gmail.com) or info@minoritymensnetwork.org OR by mail to:

**Minority Men's Network
P.O. Box 1839
Columbia, MO 65205-1839.
Attn: SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

Application Deadline: 12:00 Midnight, Friday March 13, 2026
(Applications received after the deadline will not be considered)

For More Information Contact: S. David Mitchell: sdavidesq@gmail.com OR info@minoritymensnetwork.org

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2026 APPLICATION**

Please note that the Scholarship Committee requires a fully completed application form from the applicant to consider your application. Please respond to all questions or items on the application form. If you have questions about items, or if you find items that do not apply to you, please respond with "NA." If there are other reasons for not responding to a question or item, the Committee requires a very brief but logical explanation on a separate sheet of paper. If possible, please type or machine print all written responses.

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Scholarship Amount: \$2000

1. Douglass High School Senior

2. Applicant's Name: _____
Last First MI Name

3. Residential Address: _____
Number and Street

City or Town State Zip Code

4. Telephone Contact: _____
Phone Number

5. Your E-Mail Address: _____

6. Name of School Counselor: Ms. Mr. Dr. _____
Last Name First Name

7. Counselor's Office Phone #: _____

8. Expected Highs School Graduation Date: _____
Month Year

9. Current Grade Point Average* (GPA): _____

10. Most Recent ACT/SAT Score(s): _____

***Please note: a copy of your most recent high school transcript must be provided with this application.**

11. To be selected as a recipient of a MMNEF Scholarship, you must have applied to and been accepted for enrollment by at least one college, university, community college, or other post-secondary educational institution. Please list the schools to which you have applied. If you have already been accepted for fall enrollment by the listed school(s), please attach a copy of your acceptance letter(s).

Name of School	Accepted (Please Indicate "Yes" or "No")

12. In the space below, please list and briefly describe school and community involvements and activities you have participated in over the past several years. Your list should include any extra-curricular activities in which you participate or have recently participated. This list should also include any community activities or work you currently volunteer or have volunteered for during the past four years. You are encouraged to attach copies of awards and citations that verify your participation. (First, use the space provided below. If you need more space, add a clearly labeled additional sheet of paper).

13. Below, please list any school or community leadership positions you have held during the past four years.(Examples include: Officer positions such as President, Vice-president, Secretary, or Treasurer. Other examples are roles you might have filled such as Coordinator, Project Leader, Chairperson, etc.) In addition, be sure to consider any leadership positions in groups like the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, church, etc. (First, use the space provided below. Add a clearly labeled additional sheet of paper, if necessary.)

14. Below, please briefly describe your academic and professional goals. (Use an additional clearly identified sheet of paper if necessary.)

15. Based upon your family's most recently filed federal income tax return, please indicate your family's adjusted gross income by clicking the appropriate box below.

Under \$35,000		\$80,001 – \$110,000	
\$35,001 – \$57,000		\$110,001 – \$150,000	
\$57,001 – \$80,000		Over \$150,000	

16. Please give the ages of your siblings who live with you in your household. (Example: 20, 12, 9)

17. Do you have siblings who attend college? Yes No

18. What College(s) do they attend?

19. When evaluating your application, do you have any special needs or extraordinary financial hardships that you would like to have the Scholarship Committee consider? If so, please briefly describe them below.

20. Please provide a photograph of yourself in business attire (such as a senior class picture), along with this application.

Please list your REFERENCES:

School Personnel: _____
Name Title (Teacher, Counselor, Principal, etc.)

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone: _____

Other Reference: _____
Name Relation to you (supervisor, parental friend, etc.)

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone: _____

***Please make sure to include your Letters of Recommendation with the application.**

Below, please sign your application form. Then, have it signed by one of your parents or guardians and finally by your school counselor.

Student Applicant Signature: _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____
Please Print Name Signature

School Counselor: _____
Please Print Name Signature

Date Application Completed: _____
Month – Day – Year

Information and materials provided on or with this application will be kept confidential. They will be made available only to official members of the Minority Men's Network solely to select recipients of the Ron Marley Memorial Scholarship. After an applicant is chosen to become a scholarship recipient, the Minority Men's Network will contact the applicant. In addition, for publicity purposes, the Network will seek permission to release certain limited information about the recipient to publicize their achievement (being selected a Scholarship winner) or to promote our Scholarship program.

Please SUBMIT completed application electronically to: info@minoritymensnetwork.org or mail it, along with all requested supporting documents, to:

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Once again, to be considered, completed applications and all supporting documentation must be received by **Midnight, Friday, March 13, 2026**.

Thank you for becoming a Sehon Williams Jr. Heritage Scholarship applicant.